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SUBJECT: INDIAN PRESS SEES SECRETARY'S VISIT AS "POSTPONED"

1. THE INDIAN EXPRESS AND IT SISTER PUBLICATION, THE FINANCIAL EXPRESS JUNE 5 FEATURE REPORTS FROM NEW DELHI THAT DR. KISSINGER, "WHO WAS SCHEDULE TO ARRIVE HERE JUNE 8" HAS POSTPONED HIS VISIT TO INDIA.

2. THE INDIAN EXPRESS REPORT SAYS THAT WHILE NO NEW DATE HAS BEEN SET, THE POSTPONEMENT DOES NOT APPEAR CONNECTED WITH INDIA'S NUCLEAR EXPLOSION. IT CITES AS REASONS FOR THE DELAY THE SECRETARY'S LONG INVOLVEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS AND HIS PLAN TO ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT TO MOSCOW. ACCORDING TO THIS REPORT, "THE POSTPONEMENT WILL UPSET NEW DELHI'S ELABORATE PREPARATIONS TO RECEIVE" DR. KISSINGER. IT SAYS THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD WORKED UP A LIST OF TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED. IT ADDS THAT THE AID ISSUE TENDED TO BE MENTIONED IN OFFICIAL

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CIRCLES IN LOW KEY, "THE IDEA BEING THAT APOLITICAL UNDERSTANDING

WAS MORE IMPORTANT THAN MATTERS RELATING TO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE."  
NEW DELHI WAS BECOMING "INCREASINGLY AWARE" OF CONGRESSIONAL  
OPPOSITION TO FOREIGN AID, IT CONCLUDES.

3. THE FINANCIAL EXPRESS, HOWEVER, REPORTS THAT THE "POSTPONEMENT"  
HAS "CAUSED DISMAY, PARTICULARLY IN THE FINANCE MINISTRY."  
THAT MINISTRY "WAS KEENLY AWAITING THE VISIT AS IT WOULD HAVE  
CLEARED THE DECKS FOR THE RESUMPTION OF US AID WELL IN TIME FOR  
THE AID-INDIA CONSORTIUM MEETING IN PARIS ON JUNE 12 AND 13TH.  
BUT THE POSTPONEMENT...AS WELL AS THE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM WASHINGTON  
THAT THE US ADMINISTRATION WOULD REVIEW THE ENTIRE QUESTION OF  
AID TO INDIA IN THE CONTEXT OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSION HAVE MADE THE  
AID PROSPECTS RATHER UNCERTAIN." IT NOTES THE CANADIAN AND  
JAPANESE REACTIONS AND CONCLUDES THE CONSORTIUM MEETING MIGHT  
NOT CLINCH THE AID ISSUE FOR THIS YEAR.

4. COMMENT: THE EMBASSY HAS MADE NO STATEMENT BUT IN RESPONSE  
TO PRESS QUESTIONS HAS USED THE LINE TAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT  
SPOKESMAN MAY 31 AND BEFORE, I.E., THAT NO DATE HAD BEEN SET  
FOR THE VISIT AND THAT THERE IS NOTHING IN THE IMMEDIATE PROSPECT.  
DELHI WAS RIFE WITH RUMORS YESTERDAY THAT KISSINGER WAS  
ABOUT TO ARRIVE.  
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